AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

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Mr. Thompson of New Jersey, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany S. 704]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 704) to amend the act of October 15, 1966 (80 Stat. 953; 20 U.S.C. 65a), relating to the National Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, so as to authorize additional appropriations to the Smithsonian Institution for carrying out the purposes of said act, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the House and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the House amendment insert the following: That section 2(b) of the National Museum Act of 1966 (20 U.S.C. 65a) is amended to read:

"(b) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Smithsonian Institution such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act: Provided, That no more than \$1,000,000 shall be appropriated annually through fiscal year 1974, of which \$300,000, annually, shall be allocated and used as follows:

"(A) 331/3 per centum shall be available for the purposes of clause

(2) of subsection (a); "(B) 33% per centum shall be available for transfer to the National Endowment for the Arts for assistance to museums under section 5(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965; and

"(C) 331/3 per centum shall be available for transfer to the National Endowment for the Humanities for assistance to museums under section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965.".

SEC. 2. Section 2(a)(2) of the National Museum Act of 1966 (20

U.S.C. 65a(2)) is amended to read as follows:

"(2) prepare and carry out programs by grant, contract, or directly for training career employees in museum practices in cooperation with museums, their professional organizations, and institutions of higher education either at the Smithsonian Institution or at the cooperating museum, organization, or institutions;".

And the House agree to the same.

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Managers on the Part of the House.
Claiborne Pell,
Robert Byrd,
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Managers on the Part of the Senate.

STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 704) to amend the Act of October 15, 1966 (80 Stat. 953; 20 U.S.C. 65a), relating to the National Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, so as to authorize additional appropriations to the Smithsonian Institution for carrying out the purposes of said Act, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conferees and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

The House amendment struck out all of the Senate bill after the enacting clause and inserted a substitute text. The committee of conference recommends that the Senate recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the House and agree to the same with an amendment which is a substitute for both the Senate bill and the House amendment, and that the House agree to the same. Except for technical and clerical changes, the differences between the House amend-

ment and the conference substitute are discussed below.

The House amendment amended section 2(b) of the National Museum Act of 1966 (80 Stat. 953; 2 U.S.C. 65a, note), which contained certain obsolete appropriation authorizations to carry out that Act, so as to provide an up-to-date authorization of appropriations to the Smithsonian Institution to carry out that Act subject to the proviso that not more than \$1,000,000 shall be appropriated annually through the fiscal year 1974.

The first section of the conference substitute contains provisions authorizing annual appropriations of \$1,000,000 to the Smithsonian Institution which are to the same effect as the House amendment, but with the following additional provisions similar to certain provisions of the Senate bill. These additional provisions of the conference

substitute are as follows:

Of this annual \$1,000,000 authorization through the fiscal year

1974, the sum of \$300,000 is to be allocated and used as follows:

(1) One-third of that \$300,000 amount is to be available for programs authorized by section 2(a)(2) of the National Museum Act of 1966 (20 U.S.C. 65a), as proposed to be amended by section 2 of the conference substitute, for the training of career employees in museum practices in cooperation with museums, their professional organizations, and higher education institutions either at the Smithsonian Institution or at the cooperating museum, organization, or institution. These programs may be prepared and carried out by grant, by contract, or directly.

(2) One-third of the \$300,000 amount is to be available for transfer to the National Endowment for the Arts for assistance to museums under section 5(c) of National Foundation on the Arts and Human-

ities Act of 1965 providing for programs of assistance to groups and individuals in connection with artistic, cultural, and creative pro-

ductions, workshops, and other similar projects.

(3) One-third of the \$300,000 amount is to be available for transfer to the National Endowment for the Humanities for assistance to museums under section 7(c) of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 which authorizes the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities to develop national policy for promotion of scholarships in the humanities, initiate and assist programs to strengthen research potential in the humanities, award grants and fellowships for training and workshops, and support the publication of scholarly works in the humanities.

Section 2 of the conference substitute includes a provision contained in the Senate bill but not in the House amendment which amends section 2(a)(2) of the National Museum Act of 1966 (20 U.S.C. 65a) so as to expand the program of training career employees in museum practices by permitting such programs to be carried out through grants or by contract as well as directly. Existing law provides that such programs may be carried out only directly by the Director of the

National Museum.

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